

DURANGO INTERAGENCY DISPATCH AREA

MOBILIZATION GUIDE

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This guide is a supplement to the National and RMA Mobilization Guides.

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Miscellaneous information and Definitions:

- Most agreements and Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) terminate after 5 years unless otherwise specified within the document. In most cases, a 1 year extension may be granted.
- The agreement start date is the last dated signature.
- *Agreements:* An Agreement is required if there will be an exchange of funds.
 - Fire protection areas need separate agreements (i.e., IA agreements by State)
 - Dispatch Centers do not need to do Local agreements because they are covered under the Master State agreements. All that is needed are Annual Operating Plans.
- *Memorandums of Understanding (MOU):* An MOU is the same as a verbal agreement (parties agree to agree; an understanding). Funds cannot be exchanged with an MOU (must be an agreement).

To eliminate the need for multiple local and area Agreements and Memorandums of Understanding within and adjacent to Rocky Mountain Area Boundaries, verbiage has been incorporated within Chapter 10 - Policy, of the RMA Mobilization Guide. This language, in concert with existing parent agreements, allows adjacent dispatch centers within and adjoining the RMA to work direct with one another to support initial attack suppression efforts, without having to develop additional agreements.

This chapter contains a brief description of the Agreements and Memorandums of Understanding within and adjacent to Rocky Mountain Area Boundaries that apply to the Durango Dispatch Center area of influence. Complete copies of all agreements are on file at the Rocky Mountain Area Interagency Coordination Center unless otherwise noted. These agreements affect National, Area and Local mobilization efforts. National Agreements can be found in Chapter 40 of the National Mobilization Guide. DRC agreements and Operating plans have been included within this mobilization Guide, for reference.

Complete copies of all documents listed in chapter 40 are available through the Durango Interagency Dispatch Center. Please see below for a summary of each.

42.1 Colorado Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement, between USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Colorado; USDA, Forest Service, Region 2; USDI, National Park Service, Intermountain Region; USDI, Fish and Wildlife Service, Mountain and Prairie Region; USDI, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southwest Region, Colorado State Forest Service and Bureau of Reclamation. (expires 2011)

This Parent Agreement establishes statewide authority for interagency fire protection assistance and cooperation between the above mentioned agencies, for mutual cooperation in fire training, prescribed fire, prevention, pre suppression and suppression activities.

42.2 Memorandum of Understanding for the Fire Program Analysis System.

This MOU sets procedures for interagency partners to work together as a cohesive unit to fulfill common missions.

42.3 Interagency Agreement, between Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group and Southwest Coordinating Group.

This agreement provides for interagency fire protection assistance and cooperation between bordering dispatch centers, for mutual cooperation in fire training, prescribed fire, prevention, pre suppression and suppression activities. By the direct ordering between adjacent dispatch centers for the mobilization of all their resources for initial attack and extended.

42.4 Interagency Agreement, between Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group and Eastern Great Basin Coordinating Group.

This agreement provides for interagency fire protection assistance and cooperation between bordering dispatch centers, for mutual cooperation in fire training, prescribed fire, prevention, pre suppression and suppression activities. By the direct ordering between adjacent dispatch centers for the mobilization of all their resources for initial attack and extended.

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Operating plans are documents which supplement agreements with specific, detailed, current information. Normally required on an annual basis.

43.1 2008 Colorado Interagency Dispatch State-wide Operating Plan

In accordance with the Colorado Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement (see 42.1),

This annual operating plan (AOP) sets forth agreed upon services, staffing and funding for the Rocky Mountain Area Coordination Center (RMACC) by specified agencies and set forth agreed upon State-wide supplemental funding assistance for Colorado Dispatch Centers. This plan is prepared under the authority of the Colorado Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement, section 10, Interagency Dispatch Centers.

43.2 2008 Durango Annual Operating Plan for the Durango Interagency Dispatch Center (DRC) and Interagency Helicopter Program.

In accordance with the Colorado Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement The purpose of this AOP is to coordinate wildland fire management activities between agencies within the area of influence of the Durango Interagency Dispatch Center through a single dispatch / coordination center. The AOP provides additional funding for Durango Dispatch Center and the MVP interagency helicopter program.

The MVP helicopter is an interagency funded helicopter that will be utilized as a DRC resource and will not be release out of the DRC area unless agreed upon by local managers.

43.3 2008 UMA Helicopter Operating Plan

The purpose of this AOP is to identify coordination procedures and responsibilities for the administration and operations of the Southwest Regional Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs funded helicopter based at Ute Mountain Ute Agency (UMA), Towaoc, Colorado. The helicopters primary mission is for Initial Attack and support for wildfire operations, primarily within the Durango Dispatch Center Area of influence.

The helicopter will not be released out of the DRC area unless agreed upon by local managers and after consultation the Jicarilla Agency FMO.

43.4 2008 DRC Area, Annual County Operating Plans

In accordance with the Colorado Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement (see 42.1), the counties within southwest Colorado create their annual operating plans. These counties include: Montezuma, Archuleta, San Juan, Dolores and La Plata. The following is a summary of those Operating Plans information of particular importance. County specific exhibits relative to contacts (ch50), personnel (ch60), equipment (ch70), etc are located within the applicable chapters of this mob guide. The specific counties AOP can be obtained from DRC or Colorado State Forest Service – Durango District Office.

COS - Durango Office NOTIFICATION (970-247-5250): The COS duty officer will be notified of any fire that is on or threatening state or private lands which is expected to exceed the control capabilities of the county.

	LAPLATA	ARCHULETA	MONTEZUMA	DOLORES	SAN JUAN
Sheriff & Authority to order	Duke Schirard Butch Knowlton Doug Hanna Robin Harrington	Pete Gonzalez Drew Peterson Larry Behrens John Weiss Ron Thompson	Gerald Wallace David Hart	Jerry Martin Tim Rowell Leroy Gore Duane Garcher Ernie Williams Julie Kibel	Sue Kurtz (Responsible official of the jurisdictional agency)
Fire Contacts	Central Dsp	Pagosa Dsp	Cortez Dsp	Dolores Dsp	San Juan Dsp
Phone #	970-385-2900 Butch 382-6274 Cell 749-8122	970-264-2131	970-565-8454 Cell 759-9383	970-677-2257	970-387-5531
Fax#	970-385-2908	970-264-4700	970-565-3991	970-677-2880	970-387-0251
EFF Cty	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Mutual Aid Period	4 hour	4 hour	4 hour	4 hour	4 Hours
Reciprocal Zone	1 mile	1 mile	1 mile	1 mile	Entire county
Min. Cty Commit. For EFF	4 engines 4 tenders 1 dozer	2 engines 1 tenders 1 dozer	2 engines 1 tenders 1 dozer	1 engines 1 tenders 1 dozer	N/A

*Red Flags will be sent to the Fire Contacts listed (Dispatch) for further distribution to their units..

IC's are approved to order resources direct from DRC, the appropriate "Authority to order" must be notified immediately by DRC or the county dispatch.